

Summary of Public Input: RIO SALADO MULTI-USE PATH UNDERPASS AT MCCLINTOCK DR.

April 25, 2017 Public Meeting

I. Background

The Rio Salado multi-use path underpass at McClintock Drive will be located on the south bank of the Rio Salado multi-use path system at McClintock Drive. The west and east sides of McClintock Drive have existing paths, and path users are currently expected to cross McClintock at the street level at the nearest traffic signal. This proposed underpass would be similar in character to the recently completed underpass at Priest Drive. It will meet all necessary design requirements and traverse under six lanes of traffic on McClintock Drive.

The project is identified in the Transportation Master Plan and will provide a convenient and attractive link in the city's non-motorized network. Design of this structure will require a structural and civil engineering team, involve public outreach, and take approximately three years from design to construction. The project construction estimate is between \$2 million and \$3.5 million.

Timeline:

- September 2015: Submit for federal funding for construction
- April 25, 2017: Public Meeting
- Fall 2017: Final Design
- Construction: 2018

II. Public Meeting

A public meeting was held April 25, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. at Homewood Suites located at 2104 E. Rio Salado Parkway, Tempe. Postcards inviting the public to attend the meeting were mailed to businesses and residents in the area bounded by the river on the north, University Drive on the south, Price Road on the east and Dorsey Lane on the west. Information was sent to neighborhood chairs in the area via email and posted on the City's webpage. Four people attended the meeting to learn more about the project. Comment cards were available at the meeting and two attendees filled out cards at that time.

III. Online Survey results

An online comment form was available April 25 to May 9, 2017 and one additional person responded online. The responses included:

1. Are you:

A frequent user of Tempe's multi-use paths (twice a month or more)	2 responses
An occasional user (once a month or less)	1 responses
Have never used a multi-use path in Tempe	0 responses

2. Do you prefer?

Alternative 1	2 responses
Alternative 1B	1 response
Why/why not?	

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3. Do you have any additional comments that you want us to consider with respect to the proposed underpass designs?
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IV. Demographics

Ethnicity/Race:	2 reported "white"
Gender:	2 reported "male"
Age:	2 reported 40- 64 yrs. of age
Veteran Status:	2 reported non-veteran status
Persons with Disabilities:	2 reported not to have a disability